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SKYWATCH or SAUCERWATCH?

The Saucer Bandwagon

To date, many leading publications including LIFE, LOOK, Reader's Digest and Argosy are jumping on the 'Saucers are Interplanetary' bandwagon by printing articles dealing with what has heretofore been regarded (by them) as a controversial subject, and with the sanction of the Air Force have planted the seed that the saucers could very well be interplanetary or interstellar vehicles.

It seems quite apparent that the government is stepping up their program of slow enlightenment of the American people to the idea that entities of some kind of extra-terrestrial origin have beat us to the punch where space travel is concerned.

In our mind, the recent article by Dr. David H. Menzel in the June 17 issue of LOOK should be taken apart and carefully analyzed. Diligent picking will show that LOOK, after 'looking' long enough finally dug up a man who does not want the saucers to be what they are, and who spent a lot of time to find another feasible answer to the enigma.

It is very probable that the Menzel theory is the answer to a few of the thousands of sightings, but very doubtful that it could be the explanation of many of them. The atmospheric conditions Menzel describes would have to be almost 100% perfect to produce saucer-like light inversion.
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Public Apathy Fouls Skywatch

The Air Force is at the present time very much peeved with the public because of its lack of cooperation in the coming 'Skywatch' to be instituted July 15. The purpose of the watch according to the paper and the AF is to provide complete protection for the country, filling in where the radar blanket is incomplete.

This sounds all very well to the unpracticed eye, but to anyone who is at all familiar with plane spotting and has had the opportunity to compare the 27 states that the AF is most interested in, and the states over which saucers have been most frequently sighted, the fact that the list is the same sticks out like a sore thumb.

WHY HAS THE AF SET JULY 15 as the deadline for Skywatch after delaying it from June 17, etc? COULD IT BE THAT SAUCERS HAVE A TENDENCY TO BE SIGHTED IN JULY, AUGUST, AND SEPTEMBER WITH MORE FREQUENCY THAN AT ANY OTHER TIME OF THE YEAR?

Join the Skywatch in your community--two or three hours a week is little to give to your country, and it may pay off in the dividend of actually seeing a saucer yourself. You can bet if a saucer is sighted by an observation post the information will not be made public. However, if you're on the job, you'll at least have a chance through inquiry among other members of the watch to get the details.

The evidence at hand seems to indicate that the AF, having had dead specimens from the saucers (The Mexico Crash-landing and the New Mexico crash-landing referred to by Scully), are now concentrating on shooting down a 'live' one for the purpose of contact. It would be easy to plot

WINCHELL----Is There Method In His News and Predictions? ? ? ? ?
Walter Winchell's syndicated column of July 2 quoted a rumor going the rounds to the effect that scientists at Palomar watched a spaceship land in the Mojave desert. Four persons were supposed to have gotten out, looked around, reboarded the ship and the thing left the scene. According to Winchell, the legend is that the Air Force will officially announce the news this fall. That would be good news!

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The EDITORIAL

As we go to press (or should we say mimeo) this July 15th, we have decided that it would be only proper to renumber the bulletin issues beginning with this one, and call it Volume I, Number 1, inasmuch as the old system of ditto has been discarded and we now have a mimeograph machine at our command.

Also to be considered are the new members who constitute such a great part of APRO since the May drive for members. Old issues being small and most of the time poorly printed, are not in great number and because of the lack of disc news prior to April, somewhat lacking in fresh sightings. Therefore this issue will be designated as Volume I, Number 1, in light of the foregoing, and because the new bulletin is more representative of the larger, ever-growing AERIAL PHENOMENA RESEARCH ORGANIZATION.

In the future, and soon we hope, APRO National Headquarters and editorial staff will put out an APRO supplement which consists of a manuscript submitted by member Art Jaffray. Art has many good ideas, writes well and has really gone into the investigation of saucers on a big scale. Also in the supplement will be a review, so watch for it!

Members located in cities and towns capable of supporting an independent APRO Chapter are urged to make a drive for members in order to form a chapter. We need integrated units which can be relied upon if necessary, to investigate rumors and sightings in their own immediate vic-

inities. As is specified under the constitution, a minimum of three members is required to form a local, and in the event a local is formed, the proscribed percentage of the dues held in national headquarters will be returned to the group.

WE CANNOT STRESS ENOUGH THE NEED FOR NEW MEMBERS, for in number we will be capable of ferreting out and investigating every new sighting and rumor.

APRO CHAPTERS: Try to find a ham radio operator interested in the saucers, and recruit him so that your chapter will have a hook-up in the newly planned radio ham network for APRO. The network will be invaluable in our work, and in case of landings or contacts.

Because of the heavy press of mail due to new members, etc. we hope members will be patient in awaiting letters from your national director. Since moving to Sturgeon Bay from Los Angeles we have formed a Sturgeon Bay chapter with which to carry on the work of national headquarters.

Members in Sturgeon Bay elected the director to the office of President, which added more responsibility, more work, and took much more of her time.

Since last March the Director wrote and had published a feature article on the flying saucers in the Green Bay Press Gazette of Green Bay, Wisconsin.

Soon mimeographed copies will be available to members and with the request that they attempt to have the feature reprinted in local newspapers in each respective area. The feature was very well received by the people in Eastern Wisconsin area and that may be a good sign that other papers will use it. It may be quite valuable in the education campaign for the masses.

Next issue we will welcome Dick Haislet, Secretary of APRO national headquarters in Sturgeon Bay to the writing staff of the bulletin. Mr. Haislet has been a staff writer and reporter on various newspapers, and has worked as news editor and announcer in radio.

There are many more hundreds, perhaps thousands of interested people who do not know about APRO but would join us if they know. FIND THEM!

Until next issue, good saucer news to everyone---send in your sightings, theories, rumors, ideas, etc. This is your bulletin, you help pay for it, you make it!

-----THE EDITOR

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GRAPEVINE

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The old axiom, "Where there's smoke, there's fire" is our reason for including the GRAPEVINE in the APRO bulletin. Many rumors regarding the saucers have come to our ears, and sometimes rumors can be more interesting than actual facts.

For instance, the rumor that the editor of a SF magazine is in contact with space spies, and because of this, is under constant surveillance by the FBI is an interesting tidbit. Our informant, a well known man in his vicinity, asserts that this is true, and that said editor will soon have his personal freedom greatly curtailed. One indication that this may be partly true, is that there has been a large influx of saucer sightings in the vicinity of that editor's home town since he moved to that location. Of course, names cannot be given for obvious reasons. We are checking.

The rumor referred to be Walter Winchell and taken up elsewhere in the bulletin, could very well have some basis, for many rumors similar to that one have been circulating. The latest relayed to us by a member is to the effect that a saucer of some type had landed in Texas and that people disembarked. At this writing we are still checking.

Frank Edwards, Mutual news analyst sponsored by the AFL, in his April 14th broadcast announced--- that he has it from the authority of the big brass at the Pentagon (Air Force) that the general belief among them is that the saucers are interplanetary vehicles and that contact has been attempted. He also said that last September an attempt was made to contact a saucer hovering over an undisclosed military base in Maryland. The attempt was made by means of 'shooting' the saucer with a radar beam.

The saucer was at a very high altitude, and when the beam was trained on it, it wobbled.

Military men present could not discern whether the movement was a sign of recognition, or whether the radar beam affected the controls or power supply of the craft.

Perhaps this last should not be included in the Grapevine, for Mr. Edwards is known for his honesty and the authenticity of the data brought forth on his program. However, as it has not been confirmed, (and though it

has not been denied) it must be treated as a rumor.

The following rumor was forwarded by a well-known astronomer who in our mind is a fine honest and intelligent man. We have reason to believe that he is probably as close to contact with the space men as anyone at this time.

This person said that he had on reliable information that the space-ships come from three planets in our solar system: Mars, Venus and Saturn, and a planet in the Wold 359 system.

He also said that the men range in size from 3 to 6½ feet in height, depending where they come from, and are well developed physically and mentally.

They can speak the major languages of the world, learned by monitoring our radio broadcasts, and have their own men spotted here and there all over the Earth, undetected by earthmen.

Another member of APRO, residing in New York City, wrote that he has reason to believe that he contacted a 'space spy' at an atomic energy exhibit in New York a year ago. He said the man tried to give him some sort of message which he did not comprehend. He is still checking and has had the person under close watch for the past year.

An Air Force man at Wright-Patterson Field, in a letter to an APRO member in Canada stated that a rumor making the rounds at W-P is that the Air Force believes space spies have been landed and that some earth men are working in close conjunction with them. Those suspected of interplanetary espionage are being watched by the FBI.

With this we close our GRAPEVINE for this issue, and ask the members to contribute each and every bit of information of interest, whether fact or rumor, for not matter how inconsequential it may seem to you, it should not be overlooked. We depend on the members of APRO for the news and conjecture featured in our bulletins. Thank You,-----THE STAFF

What would you do or say if you were present at the landing of a saucer? This is the question to be answered in next issue's Reader's Column. Send your ideas to the Editor.

RECENT SIGHTINGS

The editorial staff regrets to report that members have been very lax in sending clippings and sufficient information to APRC headquarters regarding recent sightings. In the future we must stress the importance of including with clippings the name and date of the paper in which sightings are reported.

Much has been said about the famous Rio de Janeiro saucer of May 7, and it is doubtful that the blue-grey object could have been one of Menzel's reflections or a cosmic ray balloon or conventional aircraft and certainly not hallucination, for the thing was seen by hundreds and the camera faithfully recorded what was seen.

An INS report printed in many newspapers throughout the country read thusly: (INS) May 8, --Pictures of a 'flying saucer' which appeared near the outskirts of Rio de Janeiro were published in the newspaper Dario da Noite. At the scene were two photographers from the newspaper Cruzeiro. They were at Barra da Tijuca Beach on another assignment Wednesday when they saw what appeared to be an airplane coming toward them.

Photographers Ed Keffel and Joao Martins shot five pictures. The pictures as published show an object appearing somewhat like a pot lid with a knob-like protuberance in the center. The cameramen said the saucer came in from over the sea, passed several hundred feet over their heads and appeared to be rocking 'like a slowly falling leaf.' Then, they said, it made a slow curve, picked up speed and headed back to sea and disappeared.

The cameramen said the object they saw was larger than a commercial airplane and was round and wingless from what they could observe.

(INS) May 9, ---The military attaché at the U. S. Embassy in Rio de Janeiro Friday examined negatives of five photographs taken of a 'flying' saucer sighted over Rio de Janeiro Wednesday and called them the best he had ever seen of the phenomenon. Colonel Jack Werley Hughes and several Brazilian Air Force officials visited the office of the newspaper O Cruzeiro to study the photographs 'shot' by the paper's cameramen, Ed Keffel and Joao Martins. The photographers told of how they spotted the ob-

ject that looked like an airplane coming at them, while they were on the outskirts of Rio. As the contraption neared, it looked like a plane flying sideways. The photographers then said that as it approached closer it was an object---perfectly round, wingless and absolutely noiseless.

Col. Hughes expressed special interest in the photographers' statement that it was noiseless and concerning its tremendous speed. He added: "I have no doubts on the authenticity of the photos taken by Keffel and Martins. There is no trick in them."

EDITOR'S NOTE: We have seen the pictures of the Rio saucer and they are the clearest photos giving exact detail as to physical characteristics. The side view (as the saucer came in from the sea) showed a knob on top as if it were the cabin, another circular raised portion encircling the entire object, the rim or airfoil, and another circular protuberance on the bottom.

JAMESTOWN, N. D. (UP) 'Flying Saucers' were reported over North Dakota again Monday night. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hahn, Jamestown, reported they saw a strange object flying very high over Jamestown airport Monday night. They said the object, which they watched through binoculars, had a luminous top and a red bottom. They said several other persons also saw the object.

NOTE: This clipping was taken from the Minneapolis Star and was received at National Headquarters June 21st, so probably took place June 16th. This is one of the clippings sent in by members but not including the date of the paper from which it was taken. Will all members submitting data in the future be certain the name of the paper, and date are included? Members please note the similarity of the object as compared to the description of the object seen in Sturgeon Bay on May 21st, and absolutely not a balloon?

DENVER POST, June 1, 1952 Tokyo, Japan, May 31 (AP) Japanese Maritime officials puzzled Saturday over a strange, round floating mine that sixty-six minesweeper's bullets couldn't penetrate, the newspaper Yomiuri reported. (Con't page 5)

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The mine was found bobbing in Tsugaru strait between the islands of Hokkaido and Honshu. Ob long shaped mines found there have been exploded by rifle fire. The object was towed to the port of Hokodate, after bullet after bullet bounced off it. Maritime officials have ventured no opinions on the origin of any floating mines discovered except to say that they are not Japanese.

The foregoing may or may not be related to the saucers, but was included because of its odd nature.

PEOPLE TODAY, in its June 17 issue reported the following saucer sighting: Vincent Sonsini of Los Angeles pushed away his dinner plate some nights ago, went outside to water the lawn, looked up and saw a flying saucer.

With fireballs and other mysterious objects littering the sky, this sighting might not have caused comment if it hadn't been for one thing. Sonsini, a tool designer for the Airosearch Mfg. Co., specialists in advanced aviation electronic equipment, grabbed a pencil and promptly sketched the 'out of this world' craft as he observed it. Says Sonsini: "It was about 6:40 pm when I spotted it. It was about 4,000 feet up, about a mile, a mile and a half northwest. It was so definite it stuck out like a sore thumb. It made no noise. I called my wife Anne, and she came out and saw it, too. I went to my brother Joe's house, he's a job analyst for Hughes aircraft and lives near, and borrowed his binoculars. He and his wife Julia came along, and some friends from Rome, New York Mr. and Mrs. Alfonso Mangino--he is an AF vet and civilian technician at Griffiths Air depot near his home. We all saw the craft. I put the binoculars on it and there was no doubt about it. It dove, climbed, hovered. What maneuverability! Then there was this dull glow around the fuselage and leading edges. There was no sun then." According to Sonsini's wife Anne: "It was so beautiful to watch. It gave you an awfully funny feeling. It looked human. I ran outside and called the police but they came too late---it disappeared over the horizon after about twenty minutes." Sonsini's sketches show the sky ship's profile in a climb, its batlike full view in a dive.

A competent observer and no stranger to late model planes, Sonsini knows a delta-wing job when he sees one. This was not he insists. "We've taken a lot of ribbing," says Sonsini, "but we have also been asked serious questions by engineers and other people. I think the public should be alerted to look skyward. Some day people are going to see something that will give them an awful jolt."

The Wednesday, June 25 issue of the Chicago Daily News included the following disc report: The flying discs are reported back again. John Olivero, 30, a federal revenue agent reported he saw two 'silver' discs flying above his home at 2917 N. Nordica Tuesday evening. They were about 10,000 feet up, going straight up and made no noise," Olivero said. "It happened about 7:30 p. m. I was lying on my back on the front lawn when I saw them. I shouted to my wife and neighbor to look what was going on," Olivero said. Olivero said his wife, Frances, 27, and their neighbor Mrs. Alberta Gregory 2915 N. Nordica, also saw the objects. "They were cylindrical in shape and showed no vapor trail," Olivero said.

Texarkana, Texas was the scene of a saucer sighting Friday, June 27, and the report showed up on the front page of the TEXARKANA GAZETTE Saturday, June 28, 1952 as follows: Texarkana was visited by a 'flying saucer' at 5:59 Friday, vows eye-witness Clifton Spears of 1409 W. 4th, and "it wasn't just one of those ordinary kind either," he maintained. "It was double-decker type, composed of two separate gleaming silver oblong shapes one on top of the other, and it traveled at a terrific rate of speed-----it just beat anything I ever saw," he said. Spears said he and his wife were sitting in their parked car at 8th and Elm Sts. when he happened to notice the strange object in a south by southwest direction, about 40 degrees up in the sky.

He said the object appeared to be about 6 feet from end to end and the two halves about 20 to 30 inches in thickness. He had only a moment in which to view it and when he shouted for his wife to look, the 'weird' thing was gone. Spear said he knew he would be in for a lot of ribbing from dis--(con't page 6)

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believers, but he was convinced that what he saw was no illusion.

On Wednesday, May 21 Yours Truly had the honor of viewing the Sturgeon Bay flying saucer which brought shivers to the backs of many who observed it.

First spotted by a tavern owner at Fish Creek, Wisconsin, at 6:30 p. m., it was officially reported to the Door County Advocate, a semi-weekly newspaper at 7:05 by Bill Beckstrom, Supt. of Peninsula State Park at Fish Creek. Your editor was just rounding the corner at Michigan and Third and noticed a group of people in front of the Advocate office watching the sky to the northeast. One person in the crowd said, 'Here comes the flying saucer expert---ask her what it is.'

I didn't commit myself until I had called the man at the police transmitter, and had him notify county officers in the northern part of the county. The officers, Dan O'Hern of the Door County Police and Harry Londo of the Sturgeon Bay City Police Force, reported back that the thing was at a 60 degree angle northeast of them, but fairly clear. With the aid of a pair of binoculars, they they observe the object and described it as being almost round with a pair of round, what appeared to be ports emitting brilliant red light that hurt the eyes when watching them. At Sturgeon Bay the thing was at a 45 degree angle, oval in shape with a red glow along the belly of it. The object was proceeding northeast.

Mr. L. J. Lorenzen, a radio engineer and no slouch at math, made a conservative estimate of the size and altitude of the object, using Sturgeon Bay and Fish Creek as angles by which to compute, and arrived at a conclusion of about 350 feet in diameter, and at least 25 miles up above earth. Lorenzen said that the size of the thing, and it's erratic movement (a zig-zag NE course) takes it out of the balloon realm.

On Thursday, May 22, Louis Champlain, publicity mouthpiece for General Mills in Minneapolis issued a statement that the object was 'probably' a balloon, for one had been sent up that morning and 'could' have been over Door County at the time it was observed here. Nothing definite, of course, just the us-

ual bunk. Since then, Mr. Lorenzen has recomputed the angles involved, using Washington Island as a new point of the triangle, for it was probably a lot farther North than previously assumed. His new estimate put the altitude at 32 miles, and an approximate 500 feet in diameter. Too high and too big for a balloon, even a General Mills job. AN INTERESTING SIDELINE ON THIS SIGHTING: As if someone is trying to prove we're nuts up here, a balloon-shaped thing, of flimsy plastic composition, landed in Sturgeon Bay Wednesday, July 2, six weeks after the saucer was seen. No identification marks--just a big blob of plastic full of what looked like bullet holes. Is the Air Force sending out cheap imitations just to lend credence to their hackneyed explanation that the saucers are in actuality just big balloons?

The April 12 issue of the Milwaukee Journal carried a news story of objects sighted by J.J. Kaliszewski, supervisor of balloon manufacture for the General Mills research laboratories in October, 1951. He said: "I'm not going to say what they were because I haven't the slightest idea. I can't say there were flying saucers, and I can't say they were space-ships. All I can say is that they were strange. I had never seen them before and, so far as I know they have never been identified!"

Kaliszewski goes on to describe the two sightings he had made. He said it was 10 a. m. October 10, 1951 about ten miles east of St. Croix Falls, Wis. that he made his first sighting. With Kaliszewski was Jack Donaghue, member of the General Mills flight operation crew. Kaliszewski saw an object crossing the skies from east to west, higher and beyond the balloon they were tracking.

Kaliszewski's plane was at 6,000 feet, and he said the object crossed above and beyond the balloon, from east to west very rapidly. First it came in in a slight dive, levelling off for a bout a minute and slowing down, then going into a sharp left turn accelerating, and then it disappeared. Kaliszewski and Donaghue observed the object for about two minutes and it crossed through an arc of about 40 to 50 degrees. The thing had a peculiar glow, no vapor trail, and from past experience, Kaliszewski

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said, he knew that this object was not a balloon, jet, conventional aircraft or a celestial star.

Kaliszewski's second sighting was made at 6:30 a. m. October 11, 1951 and he was accompanied at the time by Dick Reilly, crew member. They were flying at 10,000 feet, observing a balloon when they saw a brightly glowing object to the southwest of the university airport. Kaliszewski and Reilly were a few miles north of Minneapolis and heading east. The object was moving from east to west at a very high rate of speed and very high. They tried keeping the ship on a constant course and using the reinforcing member of the windshield as a point. The object moved past this member at about 5 degrees per second. It seemed to have a halo around it and a dark undersurface.

It crossed rapidly and then slowed down and started to climb in lazy circles slowly. It was like a falling oak leaf inverted. It went through these gyrations for a couple of minutes. Kaliszewski and Reilly watched it for approximately five minutes. They could not describe it's size because at the time they did not have the balloon in sight for a comparison.

Shortly after this sighting, Kaliszewski and Reilly saw another saucer which approached from the west and disappeared in to the east. It left no vapor trail and neither did the others. The tracking station at the university airport was called and the observers there got a glimpse of the objects, but they couldn't keep the theodolites going fast enough to keep them in the field of their instruments. Kaliszewski concluded: "I realize the people have been calling such objects flying saucers but I think they use that term for lack of a better word. The fact is, we don't know what they are. The U. S. Air Force was notified of our observations but I don't know what the Air Force has to say about them."

On his AFL sponsored news program April 17, Frank Edwards of Mutual reported the sighting of a strange, huge, bright oval object by two pilots at Benson, Arizona. The object was estimated to be at 70,000 feet, five times larger than a B-29, no wings, and very luminous. It ho-

vered in the sky for one hour, and was seen by hundreds of observers.

The above report was one of many 'exclusives' in the saucer mystery brought forth by Mr. Edwards, and which received little or no play in the newspapers.

At 11 o'clock on the night of June 23, four young people driving along the Bay Shore Drive just out of Sturgeon Bay observed a brilliant blue light and a red one going through queer maneuvers in the sky. The persons who made the observation said that the lights, which appeared in the southeast, were hovering together in the sky when they were first spotted, and at minute and a half intervals (they timed them) would separate, go to opposite horizons, (northeast and southwest) disappear and then reappear again.

This procedure kept up for about twenty minutes, then the lights just 'went out'.

Members of National Headquarters have questioned the witnesses to this phenomena, and as nearly as can be ascertained, the only deviations in the stories of the young people (17, 18, 18 and 19) was that one of them maintained that one light was red and one light white, which can be accounted for the difference in color comprehension among different individuals.

A 'fireball' seen from Milwaukee and Stevens' Point, Wisconsin has been causing considerable speculation throughout Wisconsin of late. The following, regarding the phenomena was taken from the Green Bay Press Gazette, June 28: The Milwaukee Astronomical Society, in cooperation with several other groups, is attempting to trace the movement of a fireball reported seen over northern Wisconsin Saturday night at approximately 11 o'clock. In connection with it's survey, the society asks that anyone who saw the meteor communicate with Edward Halbach, 2971 South 52nd St., Milwaukee, 15, Wis.

This would put the sighting at 11 p. m. Saturday, June 26. The National Director contacted Mr. Halbach by phone immediately upon reading the article, and learned that they are not sure what the thing was. She also learned that the society considers the theory that some of the aerial phenomena are space vehicles.
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cles, to be a sound one. Mrs. Lorenzen offered the cooperation of APRO in any of the future sightings, and by means of radio and newspaper tried to contact anyone who might have seen the fiery object. This brought no results, and leads one to the conclusion that the fireball was controlled, for it came over Milwaukee from the northeast, and would have passed over the Door Peninsula, and should have been seen by someone, in the vicinity. The object was large, as indicated by the fact that it was seen from Stevens' Point, which is about 60 miles northwest of the Door Peninsula. The National Director is planning a trip to Milwaukee shortly to confer with Dalbach on several sightings in and around Door County.

OLD, HITHERTO UNPUBLICIZED SAUCER SIGHTINGS

The following was submitted by Ross Graham, APRO member of Burbank, California:

December 30, 1951 at 11:30 p. m. at Venice Blvd. and Flower St. in Los Angeles, I saw a fast moving blue light flash on and off once only. Speed much greater than airplane, perhaps as much as meteor. Appeared as a line, due to visual persistence. Color clear intense blue, exactly that of a blue neon tube half a block away, and having noticeable width. The turning on and off was sharp (no fading out). Length of path (while lit) about 8 degrees (a four-inch pencil held at arm's length, or 27 inches). No curvature of path seen. Apparent angle of path about 30 degrees from horizontal, downward to the right. Direction about southwest and 45 degrees above the horizon. Nothing heard (city noises very low). A subsequent flash would be hidden by buildings if more than about 15 degrees beyond the end of observed flash, and there might have been a previous flash unobserved if outside the angle of vision (was looking about directly below the location of the flash.)

In October of 1951, Mr. John Schopf of Algoma, Wisconsin observed a saucer-shaped object about 8 p. m. in the evening. It was dark and Mr. Schopf was going from Lincoln to Algoma, and coming down a hill which overlooked Lake Michigan. He had a visor on his automobile, so the object was quite low to be seen at all by him. He said it was going northeast very slowly,

and banked at a 30 degree angle. The color, he said, was aluminum and Mr. Schopf further described the thing as having the appearance of a lightbulb painted silver, with light shining through. It disappeared out over Lake Michigan.

In July, 1951, Mr. Harlow Nelson of Sister Bay, Wisconsin observed an orange-red fireball going in an easterly direction about noon. The object was round, appeared to be about ten inches in diameter, with glasses and two inches without. The speed of the object was very fast and the thing was easily seen against a clear blue sky.

The May 11, issue of the Oakland, California Tribune featured an article about saucer sightings in Oakland in 1896.

The articles were taken from the back files of the Tribune. The first was a huge, 'birdlike' form which was sighted on Sunday, November 22, 1896 at 7:30 p. m. From the head of the object a stream of light projected several hundred feet. Witnesses said that when first seen it seemed to be floating over San Leandro, moved rapidly, at least 20 miles per hour. (fantastic speed in those days) It shot across the sky in the northwest, then turned quickly and disappeared in the direction of Hayward. Later, it was found that though none of the witnesses knew each other, but that their stories were startlingly similar.

On the same day, residents of Red Bluff, Chico and Leesville saw the mysterious object. It was sighted at Red Bluff at 7 p. m. moving southwesterly over the mountains and shortly thereafter was seen by residents of Chico. It returned to Red Bluff, continued on to Leesville, where it was seen to make several turns and then go back toward Red Bluff again. The theory that it was a star was rejected because of its distinctly rocking motion.

Astronomers who hadn't seen the thing said it was probably Venus or Mars. The object was moving 'in the teeth of the wind', which was impossible for a balloon in those days. Three men who saw the thing at 8 and 8:30 that evening said no light was visible, merely the weirdly peculiar body against a clear sky.

The object was described as being like a cigar with a fish tail at least 100 feet long in all.

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Dr. Menzel's prejudiced attitude is not conducive to belief in his theory by thinking individuals.

Menzel asked: "Why have so many civilized individuals taken such an uncivilized attitude toward the flying saucers?" He is assuming that the system of mechanized barbarianism which constitutes the world's way of life is civilized. He also assumes by that question that the obvious explanation (that the flying saucers are interplanetary and controlled or manned by a superior intelligence) is an uncivilized attitude.

Pages of newsprint could be used to disprove Menzel's theory but being that it is not worth the time or effort, let the following suffice: Menzel's light inversions do not account for flying lights (Gorman Case), New Mexico's green fireballs, double-decked ships trailing flames, (Chiles-Whitted case), and hundreds of saucers with a red leader (Farmington, New Mexico Case) and that's just naming a few.

The follow-up story of the flying saucers in the July 1 issue somewhat softened the caustic know-it-all attitude of Menzel's article. Careful perusal of the contents will show that LOOK and the Air Force meticulously took the three possible theories as to the origin of the saucers and eliminated those possibilities one by one by means of reason and logic, leaving only one--that the saucers are interplanetary vehicles of some kind.

Here are some good conclusions gained by conservative deduction: The Air Force believes the saucers are interplanetary. The Air Force intends to slowly educate the public to this idea, by way of just such articles as were in LOOK. By persistent denials of the authenticity of many reports the Air Force will sustain a controversy which will be very instrumentive in telling the truth when the opportunity seems right to them.

Also joining the Saucer Bandwagon along with True, Fate, LOOK, LIFE and many others is "MAN TO MAN". The August issue of this magazine sports an article authored by Leslie Lawrence, and titled 'There Is Life On Other Planets'. This article is recommended reading, as is shown by the following excerpts:

Fred Hovie, scientist at the Cambridge University in England

states that there are at least 100,000 planets capable of supporting life such as we know it within our own Milky Way.

Lawrence asserts: "No recognized scientists have denied the existence of flying saucers. Reports of these vehicles were hushed only by official government agencies. Leading astronomers advance the following theory: Human civilizations exist elsewhere on planets similar to earth. On older planets, this civilization is vastly superior to ours. There, men have undoubtedly learned to live in peace, and to preserve their peace they have approached Earth in flying saucers in an effort to assure the safety of our futures. Until now they have failed. But some day they will arrive in sufficient numbers and they will force us to be sane. Scientists welcome this strange invasion. They do so for one important reason: They realize our need for the lesson that has already been learned in some other world."

SKYWATCH or SAUCERWATCH?

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the course of a saucer after once it has been sighted, and thereafter alert anti-aircraft installations along the route. Some of the things the Air Force evidently hasn't considered, or are too thick-headed to give much thought to, is the rumored toughness of the skin of the saucers, their high altitude flying, rendering inaccessibility to anti-aircraft, and the probable consequences involved in shooting down and therefore injuring those who in the past have shown no signs of aggression or hostility. Besides, do they think they'll hold still for that kind of greeting?

'FRAUDS' SAYS SAUCERS ARE FRAUDS!

Frauds, a Reader's Digest size magazine, dedicated to taking apart any fraud on the American people, including Reader's Digest, itself, gave the usual 'Flying Saucers Are A Hoax' line in a short article in their July issue. We quote: "The best hoax of 1952, according to many, (they don't qualify the 'many') will prove to be LIFE magazine's recent treatise to prove that 'flying saucers' are from other worlds. Nothing is impossible but if LIFE was bold enough to stick it's neck out, we'll go along and duplicate the sittingon

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a limb', by observing that we agree with those who believe LIFE will win the University of FRAUDS 1952 award for the best 1952 hoax---at least at this writing. P. S. When the true story of the saucers is revealed by the federal government, TRUE and LIFE magazines and columnist Frank Scully will still be publishing and writing excellent stories, articles and pictures.

Just exact what is meant by FRAUDS' post script is not clear, unless it is balm to the twomagazines and Scully, so that they won't become angry, and if at any time in the future FRAUDS is made to look silly in their line on the saucers, they can point with pride to the phrase 'at this writing' and that post script. That will be their out. And they'll say, "We didn't say definitely---we didn't stick our necks way out---we left a loophole through which to crawl if the tide turned.---WHICH IT WILL!

Incidentally, a small item in the back of the same issue of the same magazine should be exposed for the fraud it is. The head on that one reads: **BIG EYE SPOTS FLYING SAUCERS.** The head itself is a misleading come-on as you can easily gather by the following which is the gist of the article:

"The flying saucer mystery may be answered by astronomers at Mt. Palomar, California, location of the Big Eye, ----- the biggest telescope. Two years ago, rumors spread that the Palomar telescope had picked up an interplanetary world half the size of the world which, if not disintegrated by friction heat or some other miracle, would strike our world with results only guesswork. It is this new star or whatever it may be that has resulted in the series of flying saucers, according to a report circulating in Southern California." ? ? ? ? ?

RECOMMENDED READING:

Ray Palmer and Ken Arnold's book "The Coming of The Saucers"
This Week's story "The Warning" Have misplaced the issue, but believe it to be either the June 22 or 29 issue.
A Voice from the Gallery
This mimeographed sheet occasionally has some mention of saucers, usually deals with unusual occurrences. Can be obtained by writing Ralph Holland, 2520 4th St., Cayahoga Falls, Idaho.

Although we did not hear it Drew Pearson is supposed to have

predicted in a recent broadcast that the saucers will land this year. But then, if Pearson's predictions held water we'd be in war with Russia now, too!-

DID YOU KNOW?--

---that on the same day the water tank at Tucumcari, New Mexico exploded (last December 13) mysterious explosions were felt over Dallas, Texas and that it was later established that there were no jets in the air to produce shock waves, which have at times been blamed for the mysterious explosions?

EXPLANATION NEEDED

What became of the 'celestial body' seen out in space last summer by astronomers, which, if it kept to it's course, would strike earth? It was judged to be at least 300 miles in diameter. Rumor has it that this 'planet' has now been sighted in our own solar system, but due to it's 'erratic' course could not be a 'celestial body' as formerly assumed.

STRANGE DISAPPEARANCES

Where is Mr. Beloe of Shawano, Wisconsin who disappeared about 6 weeks ago? Beloe was on his way north of Shawano to deliver a reconditioned car. It's not so hard for a man to disappear, but a car? ? ? ? ?

What about the two 'meteors' that exploded over Seattle lately? No fragments have ever been found. And two of them, yet!

And what about the strange disappearance of the lifeboat full of survivors of the freighter Pennsylvania. A mystery dot on the radar screen was the only clue. It's pretty inconceivable that 15 men and a boat got lost in the short time between the disaster and when aid arrived, especially since aid was almost there. Could the radar 'ghost' have been a saucer? We wonder!

We also wonder about the Baraboo, Wis. business man who, with his plane, a small twin engine job disappeared five minutes out of Spokane, Washington. The has been combed, but still no sign of the man or the plane. Another saucer pick-up, perhaps?

A cute cartoon recently featured in the Minneapolis Star shows Uncle Sam and Joe embracing one another while gazing upward at saucers whizzing through the air. The title under the cartoon is simply: Now, just suppose! ! ! ! !